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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

UNDER 37 CFR 1.116 and 1.121

Sir:

This amendment is being submitted in response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers. The Notice itself has a "date mailed" of 1/21/2009, but the cover sheet accompanying the Notice has a mail date of 1/23/2009. It is being submitted within 2 months of the mailing date of the Notice, making it a timely response. If the Office considers the mail date to be the mail date on the Notice itself, this amendment is still being timely filed.

The notice gives a non-extendable deadline to respond of two months. Although two months after January 21, 2009, is March 21, 2009, March 21, 2009, fell on a Saturday, with the next succeeding business day being Monday, March 23, 2009. Under 37 C.F.R. 1.7, and as described in MPEP 710.05, when a deadline falls on a Saturday, a response should be considered timely filed, if a response to a requirement is filed on the next succeeding business day when the due date falls on a weekend or a holiday.

Applicant believes no fee is due. If this belief is in error, the commissioner is permitted to charge any required extension and/or fee to deposit account No. 03-4075 (Attorney Docket No. SST/1070).

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper. No amendments have been made to the claims by this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 13 of this paper and include both attached replacement sheets and annotated sheets showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this paper.